

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Export/Import of Fruits and Vegetables from Airports

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of airports in the country from where fruits and vegetables are imported and exported;
- (b) the number of such airports where cold storage facility is available for this purpose;
- (c) whether the farmers and traders living in southern Gujarat avail the services of Air India and private airlines for transportation of fruits especially mangoes and chickoo to other State and abroad; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

- (a) The export and import of fruit and vegetables takes place through 19 airports in the country. ;
- (b) The cold storage facility is available at 23 airports. ;
- (c) Yes Madam. Farmers & traders of Gujarat do take advantage of Air India and other airline services for exporting mangoes and chickoo to foreign countries. Some cargo movement from Gujarat is taking place via Mumbai.
- (d) Out of total fruits and vegetables exports from Ahmadabad airport, 70 MT in 2013-14, 33 MT in 2014-15 and 15 MT in 2015-16 originated from South Gujarat-mainly mangoes and chikoo.